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1. Work on the reconstruction of the railroad bridge near Muskau was started on the eastern side of the Neisse River on 2 March.¹

25X1A 2. [REDACTED] information:

- a. It is planned to use the southern long distance platform of the Berlin-Friedrichstrasse railroad station for elevated train traffic. The required switch connections have already been built.
- b. The earth of the newly built embankment for the Karow-Birkenwerder railroad line has not yet settled enough. Repair work is continuously required. For some sections of the line a speed limit of 30 km/h has been fixed.²
- c. The course of the new Michendorf-Coln railroad line has been staked off in part.³
- d. Earth work on the connecting curve near Grossbeeren was nearing completion. The curve is expected to be completed by 1 May.⁴
- e. Earth work on the connecting curve near Brandenburg was completed and track-laying work had been started.⁵

25X1A 3. In early March, [REDACTED] the reconstruction on the Ducherow-Ahlbeck railroad line was to be included in the 1954 investment program.

4. In early March, the designs for the reconstruction of the railroad bridge over the Oder River near Neuruednitz were completed by the designs and surveying department of the Greifswald regional railroad headquarters.

25X1A 5. Work on the construction of the Prenzlau-Templin railroad line continued. In early March, [REDACTED] railroad overpasses were being built at kilometer markers 1.6 and 6.29 near Prenzlau.

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1. Comment. The reconstruction of this bridge over the Neisse River was subsequently included in the 1953 investment program, probably for strategic reasons. See [REDACTED]. The dispatch of individual steel construction units to the construction site was reported previously. The beginning of construction work proper is reported for the first time.

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2. Comment. This information refers to the double-track Nordring Berlin which was completed on 15 December 1952. The project is of importance for traffic involving gainfully employed persons in the Hennigsdorf-Velten area in the event of an isolation of West Berlin.

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3. Comment. The Michendorf-Golm stretch is a section of the Westring Berlin which is to be completed by 1954. The staking off of the course of this line has been reported by the same source already in early February. [REDACTED]

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4. Comment. A sketch of this connecting curve which originally was to be completed by late October 1952 was transmitted previously. See [REDACTED]

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5. Comment. Originally this connecting curve was to be completed in 1952. The construction of the permanent way was postponed to 1953. See [REDACTED]

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